

To the Honorable Council City of Norfolk, Virginia

May 13, 2014

From:

George M. Homewood, AICP CFM, Planning Director

Subject:

Street Closure of a portion of the western side of Atlantic Street south of Waterside Drive

Reviewed:

Ward/Superward: 2/6

Ronald H. Wilkams, Jr., Assistant City

Manager

Approved:

Item Number:

PH-1

Marcus D. Jones, City Manager

- I. <u>Staff Recommendation:</u> Approval.
- II. <u>Commission Action:</u> By a vote of **7 to 0**, the Planning Commission recommends **Approval.**
- III. Request: Street Closure of a portion of the western side of Atlantic Street south of Waterside Drive containing 0.129 acre of land.
- IV. Applicant: City of Norfolk
- V. <u>Description</u>
 - The right —of-way to be closed is located in Downtown Norfolk which is developed with a variety of office, commercial and residential uses.
 - The right-of-way will be combined with the adjoining property as part of the Waterside revitalization.
 - Easements satisfactory to Virginia Natural Gas and the Norfolk Departments of Public Works and Utilities will be reserved.
 - VI. Staff point of contact Jeff Raliski at 664-4766, jeff.raliski@norfolk.gov

Attachments:

- Proponents and Opponents
- Ordinance
- Staff Reports to CPC dated October 24, 2013 with attachments

Proponents and Opponents Proponents None **Opponents** None



To City Planning Commission City of Norfolk, Virginia

October 24, 2013

From:

Jeffrey K. Raliski, AICP, Long Range Planning Manager

Subject: The closing, vacating and discontinuing a portion of the western side of Atlantic Street south of Waterside Drive containing 0.129 acre of land.

Reviewed: George M. Homewood, AICP,

Assistant Planning Director

Ward/Superward: 2/6

Approved:

Frank M. Duke, AICP, **Planning Director**

Item Number: 1a

Recommendation: Staff recommends approval. ١.

II. City of Norfolk on behalf of Norfolk District Associates, LLC Applicant:

III. Description:

This agenda item is to close a portion of the western side of Atlantic Street south of Waterside Drive containing 0.129 acre of land.

IV. Analysis

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٧. **Financial Impact**

This property, if closed, will convey at no cost to the Norfolk Redevelopment and Housing Authority.

VI. Environmental

Closure of this unimproved right-of-way will not create additional traffic in adjacent neighborhoods.

VII. Community Outreach/Notification

- Letter was mailed to the Downtown Norfolk Civic League President on October 1.
- Notice was sent to the civic leagues by the Department of Communications on October
 9.
- Letters were mailed to all property owners within 300 feet of the property on October 9.
- Legal notification was placed in The Virginian-Pilot on October 10 and 17.

VIII. Coordination/Outreach

This letter has been coordinated with the Department of Planning and Community Development, Department of Public Works and the City Attorney's Office.

Supporting Material from the Department of Planning and Community Development:

- Ordinance
- Location Map
- Zoning Map
- Letter to the Civic League

10/23/2013-km

Form and Correctness Approved:

Office of the City Attorney

Contents Approved:

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NORFOLK, VIRGINIA

ORDINANCE No.

ANORDINANCE CLOSING, VACATING DISCONTINUING A PORTION OF THE WESTERN SIDE OF ATLANTIC STREET SOUTH OF WATERSIDE DRIVE, AUTHORIZING THECONVEYANCE TO ABUTTING PROPERTY OWNER, NORFOLK REDEVELOPMENT AND HOUSING AUTHORITY, OF ANY INTEREST THE CITY MAY HAVE IN THE UNDERLYING FEE OF SAID PORTION OF ATLANTIC STREET.

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of Section 15.2-2006 of the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, the City Council has the authority to close, vacate and discontinue public rights of way; and

WHEREAS, the City of Norfolk ("City") has received an application, for the closure of a portion of the western side of Atlantic Street south of Waterside Drive, as described in Exhibit A and shown on Exhibit B, both of which are attached to and made a part of this ordinance; and

WHEREAS, after a public hearing, the City Planning Commission recommended that the said portion of Atlantic Street be closed, vacated and discontinued; and

WHEREAS, the City has water and sewer facilities located in the right of way and an easement, satisfactory to the Director of the Department of Utilities, has been provided to

the City by the abutting property owner, Norfolk Redevelopment and Housing Authority ("NRHA"); and

WHEREAS, the City has drainage facilities in the right of way and an easement, satisfactory to the Director of the Department of Public Works, has been provided to the City by the abutting property owner, NRHA; and

WHEREAS, Virginia Natural Gas has facilities located in the right of way and has confirmed that satisfactory arrangements have been made with respect to such facilities; and

WHEREAS, the requirements of Section 15.2-2006 of the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, and Sections 42-212 and 42-213 of the Norfolk City Code, 1979, which relate to the vacation of public rights of way, have been met; and

WHEREAS, NRHA as a political subdivision of the Commonwealth of Virginia should not be required to pay any compensation to the City for the closure of the said portion of Atlantic Street, and therefore any such requirement for compensation set forth in Section 42-212 of the Norfolk City Code should be waived; and

WHEREAS, it is the judgment of the Council that the said portion of Atlantic Street is not needed for public use and travel and should be closed, vacated and discontinued as a public street of the City of Norfolk; now therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Norfolk:

Section 1:- That the portion of Atlantic Street, as described in Exhibit A and shown on Exhibit B, both of which are attached hereto, is hereby closed, vacated and discontinued as a public street of the City of Norfolk.

Section 2:- That after its effective date, a certified copy of this ordinance shall be recorded in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of the City of Norfolk as deeds are recorded and indexed.

Section 3:- That it is the intent of the Council that any interest the City may have in the underlying fee of said portion of Atlantic Street shall transfer to the abutting property owner, NRHA, and the proper officers of the City are authorized to do all things necessary, including the delivery of a quitclaim deed or deeds, in form satisfactory to the City Attorney, to effect the transfer to NRHA of any interest the City may have in the underlying fee of the said portion of Atlantic Street, without compensation to the City.

Section 4:- That this ordinance shall be in effect from and after thirty (30) days from the date of its adoption.

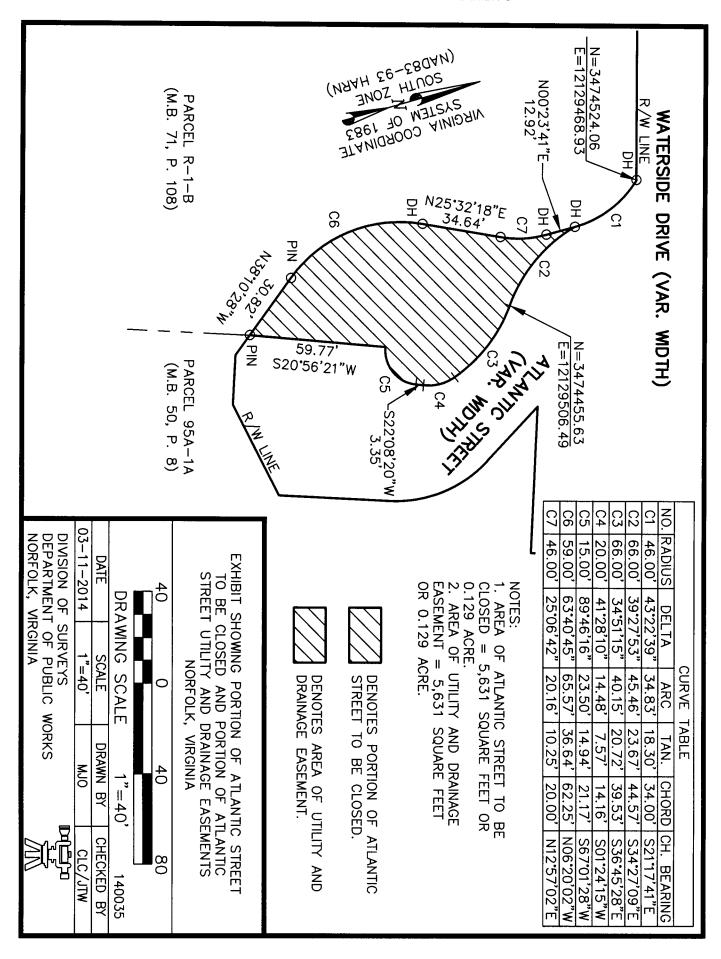
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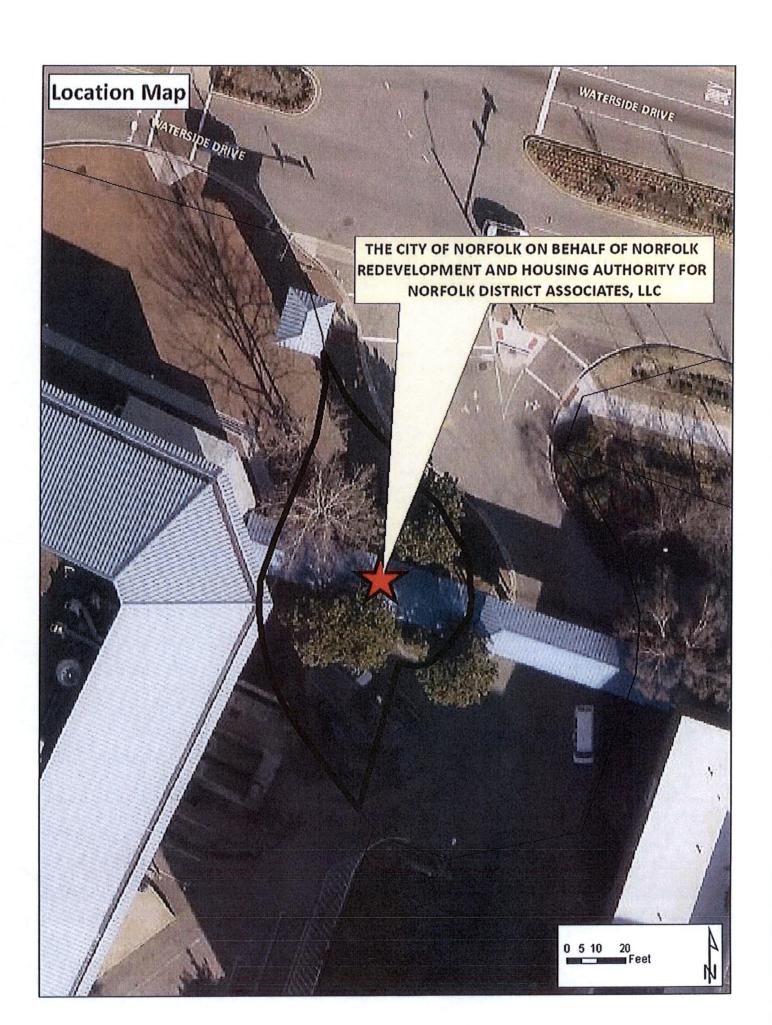
Closure of a Portion of Atlantic Street South of Waterside Drive

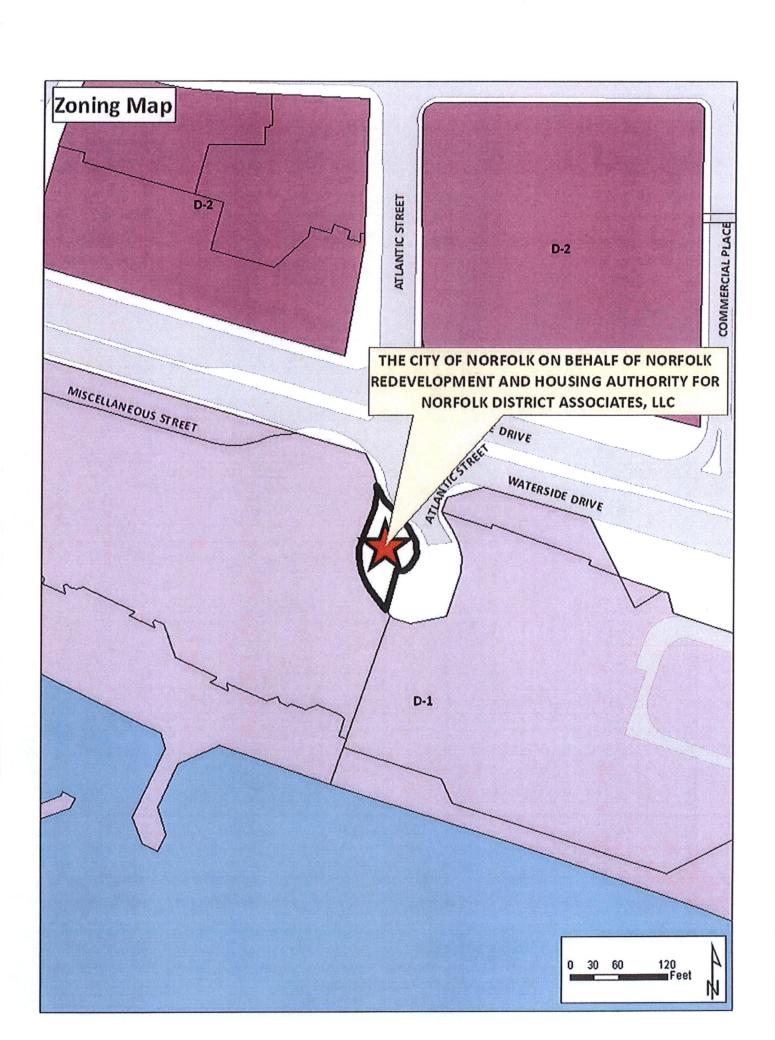
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The above-described parcel contains 0.129 acre of land, more or less.

March 11, 2014









October 2, 2013

Mr. Kevin R. Murphy President, Downtown Norfolk Civic League PO Box 3655 Norfolk, VA 23514-3655

Dear Mr. Murphy:

The Planning Department has received an application from City of Norfolk to close, vacate and discontinue a portion of Atlantic Street. This item is tentatively scheduled for the October 24, 2013 City Planning Commission public hearing.

If you would like additional information on the request, you may contact Jeff Raliski in the Planning Department at (757) 664-4766. A copy of the complete application is enclosed.

Sincerely,

George M. Homewood, AICP, CFM

Assistant Planning Director

S. Homewood (JKR)

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WATERSIDE DRIVE (VAR. WIDTH)

